



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

July 17, 2000

**H.R. 4002
Famine Prevention and Freedom from Hunger
Improvement Act of 2000**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on International Relations
on June 29, 2000*

H.R. 4002 would amend provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 related to famine prevention and hunger programs by redefining and updating the roles of U.S. universities and university partners. Although the bill also would expand somewhat the scope of those programs, it would not specifically authorize increases in funding.

Because the bill would not make major changes to current law, CBO estimates that any additional authorization of appropriations under the bill would be slight. Thus, CBO estimates that the cost of those programs would continue at the current rate—approximately \$30 million in 2000. That spending would be subject to appropriation. H.R. 4002 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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